Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Georgetown

Georgetown- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash that occurred yesterday.

The incident occurred on June 13, 2019 at approximately 3:49 p.m., when a 2005 Chrysler Town & Country mini-van was traveling eastbound on Old Furnace Road just east of Rementer Road, negotiating a slight right curve. A 2016 Ford 6 wheel box truck was traveling westbound in the same general vicinity. For an unknown reason, the mini-van failed to maintain the proper travel lane and crossed into the opposing travel lane, striking the box truck head-on.

The operator of the mini-van, a 73 year old male from Rehoboth Beach, was properly restrained. He was transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced deceased. His name is being withheld pending the notification of next of kin.

The mini-van was a registered Delaware Taxi, and was transporting two passengers who were both properly restrained. A 21-year-old male passenger of Georgetown was transported to the PRMC in Salisbury, Maryland where he was admitted for observation only. The second passenger, a 20-year-old male of Georgetown was transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released with non-life threatening injuries.

The operator of the box truck, a 30-year-old male from Bridgeville, was properly restrained. He was transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital and later transferred to the Christiana Hospital in serious condition.

Old Furnace Road in the area of Rementer Road was closed for 3.5 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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